MR. KOMILEZHATHU SANKARAN : May I know whether the Trade Agent who has been appointed is asked to be in charge of this depot ?

PRESIDENT : Well, that question does not arise. The appointment of a Trade Agent in Bombay and his function do not come at all under this head. That should be dealt with separately.

Assault of a teacher by an Assistant Inspector.

74. *MR. J. JOHN KATTAKAYAM : Will the Government be pleased to state whether any complaints have been received from the local people of Muvattupuzha to the effect that the Headmaster of the Vernacular Primary School, Maneed, has been abused and assaulted in public by the Assistant Inspector, Muvattupuzha ?

MR. C. V. CHANDRASEKHARAN : Yes.

MR C. V. CHANDRASEKHARAN : May I answer in Tamil Sir. I am rather monosyllabic in Malayalam.

MR. J. JOHN KATTAKAYAM: ഇതിനെ സംബന്ധിച്ച് എന്തെങ്കിലും നടപടി നടത്തിയിട്ടുണ്ടോ?

MR. C. V. CHANDRASEKHARAN: ഉണ്ട്.

MR. J. JOHN KATTAKAYAM : അതു് എന്താണെന്ന് ഭയവായി പറയാമോ? ഞാൻ ഇദ്ദേഹവുമായി മലയാളത്തിൽ സംസാരിച്ചിട്ടുണ്ട്. നല്ലതിൻവണ്ണം മലയാളം സംസാരിക്കുന്ന ആളാണ് ഇദ്ദേഹം. (ചിരി)

MR. C. V. CHANDRASEKHARAN: அஸ்ஸ்டன்ட் இன்ஸ்பெக்டர் செய்ததாக சொல்லிருக்கிற குற்றத்திற்கு ஒரு விதமான அடிஸ்தான மில்லையென்று தெரிகிறது.

MR. J. JOHN KATTAKAYAM: ഈ പരാതി എങ്ങിനെ തീർന്ന എന്ന സ്ഥലനിവാസികളോടന്വേഷിക്കാൻ എന്തെങ്കിലും ഏർപ്പാടു ചെയ്യണമെന്ന മെമ്പർ വിചാരിക്കുന്നുണ്ടോ?

MR. C. V. CHANDRASEKHARAN: An enquiry was conducted into the matter.

PRESIDENT : Do you know Malayalam ?

MR. C. V. CHANDRASEKHARAN : My Malayalam is not good enough for the Council.

MR. K. P. NILAKANTA PILLAI: May I know, Sir, under what circumstances the teacher came to be assaulted by the Assistant Inspector ?

MR. C. V. CHANDRASEKHARAN : The teacher was not assaulted at all.

MR. K. P. NILAKANTA PILLAI : Was he abused ?

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MR. C. V. CHANDRASEKHARAN: He was not abused at all. The Inspector of Vernacular Schools went into the case and submitted a report that the whole thing was, in his own words, a cock and bull story.

MR. P. PADMANABHAN TAMPI: May I know from the member the name of the Headmaster and the name of the Inspector?

MR. C. V. CHANDRASEKHARAN: Mr. Sivarama Aiyar and Mr. Nanu Pillai.

MR. K. P. NILAKANTA PILLAI: May I know, Sir.

PRESIDENT: You have had your turn already.

MR. M. N. PARAMESVARAN PILLAI: May I know from the member what action has been taken on the complaint?

MR. C. V. CHANDRASEKHARAN: We have fined the Headmaster Rs. 6.

MR. S. PIRAVIPERUMAL PILLAI: A point of order, Sir. I wish to know whether a member can rise only once for asking supplementary questions. In the rules governing the Legislative Assembly, the Council of State and the Provincial Legislatures, and also in the House of Commons, it is found that a member rises more than once for asking supplementary questions. Here the same point was raised by me before this House on a previous occasion, and Mr. Austin, your predecessor, on the advice of the Law Member, said that the practice in the Legislative Assembly was not the one which is followed every where and said that a member could not rise more than once. On that particular day I did not bring to the notice of the House the instance that a member can rise more than once for putting a supplementary question. Later on, I submitted to the President by way of communication, that on the floor of the Assembly and also on the Provincial Legislatures and also in the House of Commons members rise more than once for putting supplementary questions, and no answer has been received. Now Sir, you state that the member had his turn; so I raise this point of order.

PRESIDENT: Yes, it is admitted by the member himself that he raised the point of order that it has been the procedure everywhere, but it was not allowed. Until that procedure is changed, it will continue to operate, and I have not altered it.

Text Book Committee.

75. *MR. J. JOHN KATTAKAYAM: Will the Government be pleased to state how many persons there are on the Text Book Committe and how many of them belong to the north of Kottayam?

MR. C. V. CHANDRASEKHARAN: 25. Information is not available as to how many members belong to the north of Kottayam.

MR. J. JOHN KATTAKAYAM: ഇതിനെപ്പറ്റിയുള്ള വിവരങ്ങൾ അറിയണമെന്നു മെമ്പർക്കു ആഗ്രഹമുണ്ടോ?

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